

1-1 By: Kacal (Senate Sponsor - Seliger) H.B. No. 1819  
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 29, 2013;  
1-3 April 30, 2013, read first time and referred to Committee on  
1-4 Agriculture, Rural Affairs, and Homeland Security; May 15, 2013,  
1-5 reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 4, Nays 0;  
1-6 May 15, 2013, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-8	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-9	Estes	X		
1-10	Uresti	X		
1-11	Hegar	X		
1-12	Hinojosa		X	
1-13	Schwertner	X		

1-14 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-15 AN ACT

1-16 relating to liability for injuring a trespassing sheep or goat.  
1-17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:  
1-18 SECTION 1. Section 143.033, Agriculture Code, is amended to  
1-19 read as follows:  
1-20 Sec. 143.033. INJURY TO TRESPASSING ANIMAL. If a person  
1-21 whose fence is insufficient under this subchapter maims, wounds, or  
1-22 kills a head of cattle or a horse, mule, jack, ~~or~~ jennet, sheep,  
1-23 or goat, or procures the maiming, wounding, or killing of one of  
1-24 those animals, by any means, including a gun or a dog, the person is  
1-25 liable to the owner of the animal for damages. This section does  
1-26 not authorize a person to maim, wound, or kill any horse, mule,  
1-27 jack, jennet, sheep, goat, or head of cattle of another person.  
1-28 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act to Section  
1-29 143.033, Agriculture Code, applies only to a person who maims,  
1-30 wounds, kills, or procures the maiming, wounding, or killing of a  
1-31 sheep or goat on or after the effective date of this Act. A person  
1-32 who maims, wounds, kills, or procures the maiming, wounding, or  
1-33 killing of a sheep or goat before the effective date of this Act is  
1-34 governed by the law in effect on the date the maiming, wounding,  
1-35 killing, or procurement occurred, and the former law is continued  
1-36 in effect for that purpose.  
1-37 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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